



## Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

— *Lee Holloway* —  
*Chairman of the Board*

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### COUNTY BOARD OVERRIDES 11 OF COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S 15 BUDGET VETOES

**Milwaukee, WI** - The Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors voted today to override 11 of the 15 budget vetoes handed down by County Executive Scott Walker last week.

The wage and benefit modifications approved in this final version of the budget include a net 2% salary decrease, due to the 4% pension contribution that will be paid by non-represented employees next year. Last year, the Board cut future pension credit for non-represented employees by 20 percent. Beginning in January, non-represented employees will also pay 50 percent more in monthly health care premiums. All wage and benefit modifications must still be negotiated with the unions, which represent approximately 85% of the County workforce.

"It's clear that, after a long and difficult budget adoption meeting last week, the County Board came together this afternoon in overriding more than two-thirds of County Executive Walker's vetoes," Chairman Holloway said. "We believe this is a more achievable package to secure true wage and benefit reform. The wage and benefit concessions included in the County Executive's Recommended Budget were not thought out as part of a long-term labor negotiation strategy and actually set up the County for failure in arbitration or in court. Our taxpayers cannot afford that, so the Board had to step up and make these responsible changes."

The Board's veto override votes also restored funding for the Contingency Fund, Universal Screening, the Farm and Fish Hatchery, the relocation study for South Shore Beach, and the refurbishment of Moody Pool in Milwaukee. The veto of a possible separate property tax line item for Parks, Recreation and Culture was also overridden.

The 2011 Milwaukee County property tax levy will be \$269,554,701, an increase of 2.389% over the 2010 levy of \$263,264,740. Under this scenario, the County portion of property taxes on an average City of Milwaukee home are estimated to increase an average of \$7.49 from 2010.

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#### **The following is a summary of votes from today's veto override meeting**

*(two-thirds majority, or 13 votes, necessary to override any veto)*

#### **Non-Departmental Budgets**

**Veto #11** Flexible Spending Account Contributions (**Effect of veto: -\$489,779**) *Amendment 1C002*  
13-6 to override (**veto overridden**) No – Borkowski, Cesarz, De Bruin, Rice, Sanfelippo, Weishan

**Veto #12** Employee Pension Contributions **(Effect of veto: -\$4,481,784)** *Amendment 1C002*  
13-6 to override (**veto overridden**) No – Borkowski, Cesarz, De Bruin, Rice, Sanfelippo, Weishan

**Veto #13** Non-Represented Staff Salary Increases (net 2% salary cut) **(Effect of veto: -\$1,004,985)**  
*Amendment 1C002*  
13-6 to override (**veto overridden**) No – Borkowski, Cesarz, De Bruin, Rice, Sanfelippo, Weishan

**Veto #14** Early Retirement Insurance Language **(Effect of veto: \$0)** *Amendment 1C002*  
15-4 to override (**veto overridden**) No – Borkowski, Cesarz, Rice, Sanfelippo

**Veto #15** Statutory Changes on Department Head Termination **(Effect of veto: \$0)** *Amendment 1C008*  
14-5 to override (**veto overridden**) No – Borkowski, Broderick, Cesarz, Rice, Sanfelippo

**Veto #8** Increase in Appropriation for Contingencies **(Effect of veto: -\$1,000,000)** *Amendment 1C014*  
13-6 to override (**veto overridden**) No – Borkowski, Cesarz, De Bruin, Rice, Sanfelippo, Schmitt

### **Departmental Operating Budgets**

**Veto #9** Parks Tax Bill Line Item **(Effect of veto: \$0)** *Amendment 1A019*  
13-6 to override (**veto overridden**) No – Borkowski, Cesarz, De Bruin, Rice, Sanfelippo, Schmitt

**Veto #6** Universal Screening **(Effect of veto: -\$250,000)** *Amendment 1A035*  
16-3 to override (**veto overridden**) No – Borkowski, Cesarz, Sanfelippo

**Veto #7** Farm and Fish Hatchery **(Effect of veto: -\$139,400)** *Amendment 1A036*  
15-4 to override (**veto overridden**) No – Borkowski, Cesarz, Rice, Sanfelippo

**Veto #5** Reallocation Study of Highway Maintenance Positions **(Effect of veto: \$0)** *Amendment 1A041*  
11-8 to override (**veto sustained**) No – Borkowski, Cesarz, De Bruin, Jursik, Lipscomb, Rice, Sanfelippo, Schmitt

**Veto #10** Parks 10% Fee Restriction **(Effect of veto: \$0)** *Amendment 1A042*  
8-11 to override (**veto sustained**) No – Borkowski, Broderick, Cesarz, Coggs, Dimitrijevic, Jursik, Rice, Sanfelippo, Schmitt, West, Holloway

### **Capital Improvement Budgets**

**Veto #1** South Shore Beach Relocation Capital Project **(Effect of veto: -\$40,000)** *Amendment 1B005*  
14-5 to override (**veto overridden**) No – Borkowski, Cesarz, Rice, Sanfelippo, Schmitt

**Veto #3** Moody Pool **(Effect of veto: \$0)** *Amendment 1B005*  
13-6 to override (**veto overridden**) No – Borkowski, Cesarz, Rice, Sanfelippo, Schmitt, Weishan

**Veto #4** King & Kosciuszko Community Centers **(Effect of veto: \$0)** *Amendment 1B012*  
11-8 to override (**veto sustained**) No – Borkowski, Cesarz, De Bruin, Jursik, Rice, Sanfelippo, Schmitt, Weishan

**Veto #2** Indoor Aquatic Centers **(Effect of veto: \$0)** *Amendment 1B016*  
12-7 to override (**veto sustained**) No – Borkowski, Cesarz, Jursik, Rice, Sanfelippo, Schmitt, Holloway

**Veto #16** Tax Levy **(Effect of veto: \$7,405,948)** (item not necessary)

- Separately, the Board voted 19-0 to **refer back to Committee** a request to amend agreement with CN-1906 with SSP America, Inc. for provisions of food and beverage services at General Mitchell International Airport.

*The next regular meeting of the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors is scheduled for Thursday, December 16, 2010, at 9:30 a.m. in Room 200 of the Milwaukee County Courthouse.*

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